

## CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A shingle comprising:

a panel having a first side edge and a second side edge and a front edge and a back edge, said panel being formed of a metallic material, said panel having a first hole formed adjacent said First side edge and a second hole formed adjacent said second side edge, said panel having a plurality of holes formed adjacent said back edge.

2. The shingle of Claim 1, said panel having a plurality of slots formed adjacent said front edge, said plurality of slots extending transversely to said front edge: and extending partially toward said back edge.

3. The shingle of Claim 1, said panel having atop surface and a bottom surface, each of said first and second holes being surrounded by an indentation in said top surface extending outwardly as a protrusion on said bottom surface.

4. The shingle of Claim 3, said protrusion being nestable 'within the indentation of another panel positioned below said panel.

5. The shingle of Claim 1, said plurality of holes comprising three holes spaced evenly from each other and positioned on said panel between said first side edge and said second side edge.

6. The shingle of Claim 3, each of said plurality of holes being surrounded by another indentation in said top surface which extends outwardly as a protrusion on said bottom surface.

7. The shingle of Claim 1, said panel having an elastomeric epoxy coating affixed to a surface thereof.

8. The shingle of Claim 7, said panel having granules affixed to an opposite surface thereof.

9. The shingle of Claim 8, said panel having a first primer layer interposed between said granules and said opposite surface of said panel, said granules being adhesively secured to said first primer layer, said panel having a second primer layer interposed between said elastomeric epoxy coating and said panel.

10. A shingle comprising: a panel having a top surface and a bottom surface, said panel having a plurality of holes formed therein so as to extend between said top surface and said bottom surface, each of said plurality of holes being surrounded by an indentation in said top surface and extending as protrusion on said bottom surface, said protrusion being nestable within the indentation of an adjacent panel.

11. The shingle of Claim 10, said panel having a first side edge and second side edge and a front edge and a back edge, a first hole of said plurality of holes formed adjacent said first side edge centrally between said front edge and said back edge, a second hole of said plurality of holes formed adjacent said second side edge centrally between said front edge and said back edge, a set of holes of said plurality of holes being formed adjacent said back edge centrally between said first side edge and said second side edge.

12. The shingle of Claim 11, said panel having a plurality of slots formed adjacent said front edge, said plurality of slots extending transversely to said front edge and extending partially toward said back edge.

14. The shingle of Claim 10, said panel having granules affixed to said top surface thereof, said panel having an elastomeric epoxy coating affixed to said bottom surface thereof.

15. The shingle of Claim 14, said panel having a first primer layer interposed between said granules and said top surface of said panel, said granules being adhesively secured to said first primer layer, said panel having a second primer layer interposed between said elastomeric epoxy coating and said bottom surface of said panel.

16. A shingle comprising:

a panel formed of a metallic material, said panel having a top surface and a bottom surface, said panel having granules affixed to said top surface, said panel having an elastomeric epoxy coating affixed to said bottom surface.

17. The shingle of Claim 16, said panel having a first primer layer interposed between said granules and said top surface of said panel, said granules being adhesively secured to said first primer layer, said panel having a second primer layer interposed between said elastomeric epoxy coating and said bottom surface of said panel.

18. The shingle of Claim 16, said panel having a first side edge and second side edge and a front edge and a back edge, said panel having a first hole formed adjacent said first side edge and a second hole formed adjacent said second side edge, said panel having a plurality of holes formed adjacent said back edge.

19. The shingle of Claim 18, each of said first hole and said second hole and said plurality of holes being surrounded by an indentation in said top surface which extends as a protrusion on said bottom surface, said protrusion being nestable within the indentation of an adjacent panel.

20. The shingle of Claim 19, further comprising: a fastener, extending through one of said first hole and said second hole and said plurality of holes, said fastener having a head residing within said indentation so as to be at a level flush with said top surface of said panel.